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THE WASHINGTON LETTER.

"I am afraid the republican senators will die like Pat O'Brien," said Senator Hansbrough yesterday, when I asked him how the Philippine debate was coming on. "How was that?" I asked. "I'll tell you," replied the senator. "Poor Pat's got to hang!" said a friend of Pat's to a mutual friend, one evening. "No he hasn't," replied the friend. "Shure an' he has," said the first speaker. "He's been convicted of murder in the first degree. He's got to hang. It's th' law." "No, no, man," replied the friend, "Ye're behind th' times altogether; they've got a new way o' killin' 'em now. Shure he'll die by electrocution! And if the democrats keep on that will be the fate of the republican senators," concluded Mr. Hansbrough.

The democrats still continue to play on their single string and are prolonging the Philippine debate to the last possible moment but there is reason to believe that the vote will come some time this week. What bill will follow the Philippine measure has not yet been definitely settled and Senator Allison, chairman of the republican steering committee, assured me that he did not know himself, when I saw him Saturday. "I get all my inside information from the bright young men who represent the press, these days, and, as you have the inside track on that, you probably know more than I do," facetiously remarked the senator when I tried to "pump" him. There is a rumor abroad that congress will adjourn without acting upon either the Cuban reciprocity bill or the Nicaragua canal bill and as soon as I had heard it I had sought the senior senator from Iowa. He said he hardly thought congress would do that but when I asked him to confirm a positive statement which he made to me some weeks ago, that the canal bill would be considered at this session, he refused to do so. Some republican senators believe that the canal bill will be considered first and others that the Cuban bill will take precedence.

The passage by the senate on Thursday of the bill providing for the erection of a union railway station in Washington was a serious disappointment to Senator Hansbrough who had conceived and formulated a substitute which provided for the erection of the new station by the government with a view to renting its use to the railroads. As the measure passed carries a considerable appropriation of public funds the senator from North Dakota believed the government should retain its ownership and his proposition attracted much favorable comment from the residents of the District of Columbia but so much time and labor had already been spent on the bill which eventually passed by the committee on the District of Columbia that the senator's "municipal ownership" idea was rejected.

Ex-Senator Manderson of Nebraska appeared before Senator Platt's committee this week and offered the first important testimony derogatory to Cuban reciprocity. He claimed, among other things, that there had started a flow of emigration from Iowa and Nebraska to the cheap lands of Manitoba which flow could be effectively stopped by encouragement to the best sugar industry, but that the passage of the proposed bill would seriously augment that immigration. H. G. Levitt, also of Nebraska, testified against the bill which, he claimed, was entirely in the interests of the sugar trust. It is probable that if, at a reasonably early date, Senator Platt finds that he has a sufficiently strong following in the senate to pass a straight Cuban reciprocity bill such a measure will be reported and passed, but until the senator so decides the bill will remain "in committee."

The entire week in the house has been devoted to the naval appropriation bill which passed on Saturday but the debate thereon covered a wide latitude. Twice members diverged to discuss the Philippine question and gave evidence that, unless the Philippine bill is considered under a drastic rule, the discussion will take the same course as it has in the senate. The Schreyer question was also resurrected by an amendment offered by Representative Mudd of Maryland providing that the Macey history should not be used in the academy at Annapolis. Representative Cannon criticized the establish-

ment of so many naval institutions at Newport and asked sarcastically if the duties of the officers assigned to these institutions did not take them there chiefly during the summer season. He said that the great danger of our navy, in his estimation was the fact that, of the 1,700 officers, one-third were assigned to shore duty.

It is probable that a caucus will be called for tomorrow or Wednesday night for the purpose of considering the advisability of passing the Fowler banking and currency bill. It is appreciated that it will be impossible to pass the measure in the senate at this session as the time for so doing is now so limited but Representative Fowler believes that it would be an evidence of good faith for the house to pass it at this session with a view to early action of the senate at the next session. The bill is most complicated and requires careful study to assimilate its different provisions. Teresty put, it provides for the transfer of the responsibility of maintaining the commercial reserve from the government to the banks of the country and places on the banks the duty of furnishing gold for export. It also provides for an elastic currency and for the retirement of the greenbacks. Mr. Fowler tells me that, in response to the million copies of the report on the bill which he has sent broadcast throughout the country, he has received 800,000 replies commending the measure.

One day last week the president reviewed the annual maneuvers and sham battle of the Washington high school cadets. Not content, as has been the custom of former presidents, with viewing the formation from a distance, the president requested that he be permitted to make a close inspection and walked twice the entire length of the regimental line, about 1,200 feet, carefully inspecting the front and then the back of the line. At the conclusion he made a little speech to the colonel, complimenting him on the appearance of his "men" and the excellence of their performance of the usual tactics. Among the privates in the corps was the small son of Minister Wu who is learning to be a soldier along American lines.

Real Estate Transfers.

E. T. Riviere to Emma Ryerson, 20 acres, part of Adam Fouka warranty, Greens, \$1.

John S. Smith to John I. Schooner, 161 acres, Lehman, John Warner lands, \$1200.

Jacob Klaser to Adella V. Brink, part of lot No. 210, Catharine street, Milford borough, \$621.40.

Emma Ryerson to Geraldine Broadbelt, part of Adam Fouka, No. 252, Greene, 240 lots 35x100, \$1.

Mary M. Kleihans, administratrix, to John and Edgar Kleihans, 10 lots on Ann and Catharine streets, Milford borough, homestead property, \$4800.

Union Tanning company to Jacob L. Waltz, 413 acres, parts of George Hickman, No. 58, and Geo. Haas, No. 82, Greens and Palmyra, \$1000.

George Gregory to John Hestorf, 4 acres, Westfall, part of Oliver P. Beecher, No. 37, \$40.

Ether Friedlander to Jacob Hessel, 100 acres, Delaware, part of Mary Broadhead, No. 18, \$1.

Louis Gavaille to Joffie Gavaille, part of James Cottinger, No. 174, Dingman, 127 acres, \$5.

Louise F. Goldsmith to W. Livingston Flanagan, Jr., 2 acres on Silver Lake, Delaware, \$2.

W. L. Flanagan to Louise W. Ferman, some land, \$3.

August Tampter to Arthur W. Kay, 100 acres, part of Hannah Broadhead, Dingman.

Unclaimed Letters.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in the post office at Milford for the week ending May 22, 1902:

Miss Nellie Baird, Miss Louisa Kinner, Mrs. D. C. Leahy, Mrs. H. Lyons.

Persons claiming the above will please say "Advertised" and give date of this list.

CHARLES LATTIMORE, P. M.

It Saved His Leg.

P. A. Leunforth of LaGrange, Ga., suffered for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg; but writes that Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in five days. For ulcers, wounds, piles, it's the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c. Sold by all druggists.

PERSONALS.

Walter L. Angle is home from his medical studies in Philadelphia.

Lauty Armstrong of New York visited the family here last Sunday.

Samuel G. and Edwin F. Peters of Bushkill were in town the first of the week.

Miss Elsie Mott is visiting the Armstrong family on Lexington avenue, New York, this week.

Augustus Bird of Paterson and wife, a niece of Mrs. A. D. Brown, spent Sunday at The Homestead.

Miss Bertha Williamson left today for a ten days' visit with friends in Ridgewood, N. J., and New York.

Mrs. Dr. H. M. King of Grand Rapids, Michigan, and children are guests with her mother on Ann street.

Paul Schanno and family returned home to Stroudsburg this week after a visit of several days at the Hotel Schanno.

Mrs. Whitney of New York is with her two sons, Frank and Tom, domiciled at the Jordan House. Frank has been and is yet quite ill. Tom has just arrived from South Africa.

Arthur Head, formerly court stenographer here, has been elected a member of the Willis Bryon short hand society. Its membership is very limited taking in only 25 of the most eminent short hand reporters in America and Europe, fifteen in the former and ten in the latter country.

Presbyterian Revision.

The committee on revision of the Westminster confession submitted its report last Friday to the general assembly in New York. Some of the suggestions contained are quite radical and will meet with objections from the older ministers and laymen in the church and will possibly be favored by the younger men. The question of revision has been largely discussed in the church and after much consideration enough was won over to the idea that a re-statement of some of the doctrines in order to make them more clear to the lay comprehension, was desirable. The most striking changes contained in the report are shown by the following comparison:

Old—Erect infants, dying in infancy, are regenerated and saved by Christ.

New—We believe that all dying in infancy are included in the election of Grace.

Old—Neither are any other redeemed by Christ, effectually called, justified, adopted, sanctified and saved but the elect only.

New—No man is condemned except on the ground of his sin.

Old—Nor can the Pope of Rome in any sense be the head thereof, but is the antichrist—that man of sin and son of perdition.

New—The claim of any man to be the Vicar of Christ and the head of the church is unspiritual.

Old—Works done by unregenerate men * * * are therefore sinful and cannot please God.

New—Works done by unregenerate men * * * they come short of what God requires.

Farmers' Institutes.

The county board of farmers' institute managers will meet at the county commissioners' office on the second Tuesday of June to arrange for the place where institutes are to be held this season. All of our people who desire institutes ought to attend this meeting and present their claims. This board is composed of the local members of the state board of agriculture and one representative from each county agricultural society, the Pomona Grange and County Alliance. If you find you cannot attend this meeting address a letter with your request to Chairman of Board of Institute Managers, care of County Commissioners.

When you wake up with a bad taste in your mouth you may know that you need a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They will cleanse your stomach, improve your appetite and make you feel like a new man. They are easy to take, being sugar coated, and pleasant in effect. For sale by A. W. Balch & Son, Matamoras, all drug and general stores in Pike county.

American fence plain and barbed wire at W. & G. Mitchell's.

A VALUABLE CHALCEDONY.

Image of the Holy Shroud Engraved on a Gem Dating from the Second Century.

During the universal excitement caused by the supposed miraculous discovery of the image of Christ on the Holy Shroud of Turin, it is of interest to announce that there exists another relic—certainly authentic as a relic—which also presents to view an image of the Savior, as imprinted upon the shroud in which His body was wrapped.

In a wonderful collection of historical gems, commonly supposed to be the most extensive and valuable of its kind, is an engraved stone on which the shroud and its precious imprint are portrayed. This collection is that of the University of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia, which represents the life work of Mr. Maxwell Sommerville, Professor of Glyptology at that institution, corresponding member of the Societe Academique des Sciences, Arts et Belles-Lettres of the Department of the Aube, etc.

The stone is a gem of the second century, A. D., a chalcedony, and its carved surface represents a true portrait of the Holy Saviour.

Professor Sommerville, student, soldier, whose hair, mustache and imperial have grown gray in his persistent search for historical antiquities in all lands, dived at once into the early centuries with the same familiarity that the common laity would deal with events a week old, when a Herald correspondent called at his apartments in the Hotel du Louvre a few days ago. Incidental to the main subject, it may be remarked that Professor Sommerville has lived at this hotel off and on for forty years, so that he is well acquainted with the locality of the Louvre.

"It was not until the fifth century, A. D.," he said, "that Christ was represented in all his divine bounty by these inscriptions, but even in the second century, during the Roman decline, the gem engravers made many of these record-bearing objects, representing the most important events then taking place."

Asked what he thought of the authenticity of the Turin shroud and of the discovery of the "negative" thereon, Professor Sommerville declined to confirm or deny, adding that he had never examined the shroud. He was inclined, however, to think that, taken as a historical relic in itself, the gem in his collection, representing the shroud, was of more value than the shroud so carefully guarded and so highly prized at Turin.

The inscription on this stone is very simple. It represents a concave of a number of early Roman dignitaries, during the first days of the Roman Catholic Church. The dignitaries are holding in front of them the shroud, on which is imprinted—with exaggerated clearness of course—the double image of the Christ, and are evidently contemplating it and discoursing upon the subjects it brings to mind.

Professor Sommerville actually lives within the atmosphere of the glyptic treasures he has gathered up from all points of the Old World and, quite naturally, this gem is only one of the thousands that compose the collection which he has been thirty years in perfecting.—Paris edition New York Herald.

Memorial Day at Niagara Falls.

On account of Memorial Day at Niagara Falls the Erie will sell special excursion tickets from Port Jervis to Niagara Falls on Thursday, May 29th, good to return to June 1st, at the low rate of \$8.95 for the round trip good going on train No. 1 leaving Port Jervis at 11:38 a. m. or on train No. 7 leaving at 10:15 p. m. May 29th, and good returning on any train leaving Niagara Falls to June 1st, 1902.

Shudders at His Past.

"I recall now with horror," says Mail Carrier Burnett Mann of Levanua, O., "my three years of suffering from kidney trouble. I was hardly ever free from dull aches or acute pains in my back. To stop or lift mail sacks made me groan. I felt tired, worn out, about ready to give up, when I began to use Electric Bitters, but six bottles completely cured me and made me feel like a new man." They're unrivaled to regulate stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels. Perfection satisfaction guaranteed by all druggists. Only 50c.

BRIEF MENTION.

The Fire Association of Philadelphia has canceled its agency in this town and is declining further business.

A cyclonic storm at Goliad, Tex., last Sunday destroyed 100 houses, several churches, killed 90 and badly injured 120 people.

A marriage license was granted to Louis C. Schroder of Shohola and Jennie M., a daughter of John F. Greening, of Dingman.

The commissioners will offer the contract for building the abutments of the bridge across the Little Bushkill in Lehman tomorrow.

The rain Monday was very grateful and broke a long drought which however owing to the copious fall in the spring had not yet done serious damage.

If the coal strike keeps up wood will be in good demand this summer. The price of coal has gone up in the cities and there is a shortage in the amount on hand.

An explosion in a mine in Tennessee Monday is estimated to have killed 225 persons. They were three miles from the mouth of the mine and had no avenue of escape.

George Scott, while driving Schanno's team near Bunker's Sunday night, was thrown out of the carriage and suffered several bad cuts and bruises about his head.

The little year old daughter of Charles Thornton during the momentary absence of her mother a few days ago tipped a basin of boiling water off the stove in her face and was quite badly scalded.

Geo. Danmann, ex-county treasurer, was on a visit to Greene the first of the week and was accompanied home by his nieces, the Misses Emma and Anna Krieger of that township, who will be his guests for several days.

A number of men are being laid off along the Erie on account of the coal strike and if it continues the reduction in force will no doubt be large, seriously affecting many employees and also business interests in the town along its line.

Hotel and boarding house keepers anticipate an unusually good season. Already many guests have arrived and some hotels, notably the Schanno, are full. The number of equippers for places is larger than usual and every prospect points to a large influx of summer guests.

The Wayne-Susquehanna senatorial district and the congressional district in which they are having a hard time to agree. Susquehanna seems to want everything in sight and pretty much all the rest. Perhaps when they get through Wayne may be as Greene as she looks.

The Jardon House has been extensively improved during the spring. New ceilings, new floors, enlarged rooms and other changes add decidedly to its interior appearance and comfort. Its location is fine, the cuisine unexcelled, and the large lawn and general well kept appearance make it one of the most attractive places for summer guests.

Woman Suffrage in Idaho.

Governor Hunt of Idaho says regarding the workings of woman suffrage in that state:

"It gives me pleasure to say briefly that the extension of franchise to the women of Idaho has positively purified the politics. It has compelled not only state conventions, but more particularly county conventions, of both parties, to select the cleanest and best material for public office. Many conventions in this state have turned down their strongest local politicians for the simple reason that their moral habits were such that the women would unite against them, regardless of politics. It has taken politics out of the saloon to a great extent, and has elevated it, especially local politics, to a higher plane. Every woman is interested in good government, in good officers, in the utmost economy of administration and a low rate of taxation.

The Most Common Ailment.

More people suffer from rheumatism than any other ailment. This is wholly unnecessary too, for a cure may be effected at a very small cost. G. W. Westcott of Meadowdale, N. Y., says: "I have been afflicted with rheumatism for some time and it has caused me much suffering. I concluded to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm and was pleased to say that it has cured me." For sale by A. W. Balch & Son, Matamoras, all drug and general stores in Pike county.

Pike's Treasury Replenished.

The county commissioners this week received a check for Pike's share of the bonus paid by the Erie, \$2124. This comes in very handy at a time when there are so many bridges to rebuild and abatements to repair, and is a great relief to the taxpayers. We suggest to our next representative, whoever he may be, that if he wishes to ingratiate himself with the farmers, if the county commissioners have not the power to make a change, to have a bill passed providing for a change in the time of collecting taxes. The last days for so doing to receive the rebate in this county are now in July. This is a time when farmers as a rule, are most cramped for funds. Haying, harvesting and other work must be paid for and no crops are yet marketable. Then, too, at this season there are no expenses on the county beyond the very ordinary, no court until October, and every two years the land sales and taxes paid on all wild lands not owned by the state. There certainly seems no good reason why the commissioners could not by a little judicious management accommodate the county finances so as to make the time for paying taxes say September when it would be far more convenient for farmers. If the present law is a bar to this then let our coming representative sound the people on this matter and see if it would not please his constituents to have the change made. As respects to this matter in the manner of collecting taxes. It is becoming difficult, at least in some townships in this county, to procure township collectors. Large bonds must be given and they are at some trouble and inconvenience to come and settle their accounts. Why could not the collecting of taxes devolve on the county treasurer who gives a bond to cover them all. Then, too, the taxes would be available as soon as paid and notably in some recent cases this has not been the fact.

Some of Our Aged Residents.

The veteran ex-prothonotary, John C. Westbrook, will tomorrow, May 24, celebrate the 82d year of his pilgrimage in this vale. His health is excellent and he shows little appearance of physical decline, works in his garden and is busy and contented. As guests at this event will be his daughters, Mrs. Arthur N. Roe and family and Mrs. Dr. J. C. Price and family of Branchville, N. J.

Some of the other elderly gentlemen in town or near by who show little evidence of their years are R. C. Ball, who will in a few days round out 86 years, Ebenezer Warner, who has passed his 82d birthday, William McCarty, who is well along in his 86th year, R. W. Hoffman, Esq., ex-county commissioner, who is well begun on his 88th summer, and M. N. B. Killam of Paupac, who is beyond 87 years, but probably the oldest man in this section is David Doty of Westtown, N. Y., who was a former resident of this county and is now considerably over 92. In view of these witnesses who will dispute the salubrity of our town?

Building a Large Town.

The real estate transfers show an incipient city up in Greene. The Foulke tract on which it is located—on paper—is in the southern part of the township adjoining Monroe, so that in case Pike becomes crowded it can expand over to our sister county and make part of its wilderness bloom. This building of flourishing towns in inaccessible regions is very profitable to the promoters—sometimes. They soon have electric lights—especially if thunder storms are numerous, always paved streets—with natural rock, fine water—if it happens, as is sometimes the case, that the lots are in a swamp, inducement to healthy exercise—fighting mosquitoes, and just as accessible to heaven as any place under the sun, and there is where the poor devils who are beguiled into buying a corner lot on one of the most prominent streets want to go soon after viewing their purchase in the promised city. If a snoker is born every minute there are not enough out to capture him.

Old Soldier's Experiences.

M. M. Austin, a civil war veteran of Winchester, Ind., writes: "My wife was sick a long time in spite of good doctors' treatment, but was wholly cured by Dr. King's New Life Pills, which worked wonders for her health." They always do. Try them. Only 25c at all druggists.

THE RAMBLER'S PICKINGS.

If the shoe fits wear it. Strange how easy a guilty conscience is disturbed. A whisper, and there is trouble.

We hear nothing but very favorable comments on the sermon delivered by the Rev. E. M. Smead in the Presbyterian church last Sunday evening.

I note that the memorial sermon will be preached by Rev. E. M. Smead next Sunday evening. A few years ago Col. Nye Post made quite a showing when entering a church but now, alas! how thin is its ranks and how feeble most of the survivors.

The broad smile on the face of Street Commissioner Steele is easily accounted for. It is a girl.

Some people get so in the habit of trading horses they trade until only the halter is left.

So we are to have a Decoration evening dance.

How about the horse race and the New York excursion.

Walter Angle is in town for his summer vacation.

Dr. H. E. Emerson will soon vacate his present residence which will be torn down and replaced by a modern dwelling. In the meantime the doctor will take possession of the Col. Lewis house on Harford street.

Chief Burgess Ed. Wolf will within a few days move his portable saw mill from town to his lumber tract near Dark swamp.

Those that should know claim the outlook for a good season for city people coming here this summer has never been better than now, several of our boarding houses having all their rooms engaged already.

The rain the first part of this week was very acceptable. It was badly needed.

Geo. Happs' Port Jervis bakery wagon comes down now daily all polished up with new paint.

Frank Van Campen is making the J. E. Boyd cottage look like new.

Infirmaries are for the feeble, hospitals for the sick, asylums for the deranged, the earth to live on and to be buried in.

So far the beef trust is still on the top. The coal trust has raised the price of coal, but where does the farmers' trust come in.

OBITUARY.

GEORGE Y. HORNBECK.

Mr. Hornbeck, formerly of Montague, New Jersey, in which township he was born and spent his life until some two years ago when he removed to Port Jervis, died at that place early Tuesday morning aged a little over 72 years. He was a son of Joseph and Elbetta Clark Hornbeck. For some time he had been in failing health and was confined to his bed five weeks. His family was one of the oldest and most prominent in Sussex county and he was one of its most respected members. Some forty-two years ago he married Christina, a daughter of William and Phoebe Layton, who with three married daughters survives him. Two brothers, William P. and Joseph S., both of Montague, also survive. The funeral occurred yesterday and interment in Laurel Grove cemetery.

WADE HUCKLEY.

Wade Buckley, for more than fifty years a prominent business man of Port Jervis, died at his home in that village Sunday afternoon, May 18th, aged about 79 years. He was a native of Sussex county, N. J., and came when a young man to the town of his adoption and in 1846 entered in the meat business. He was largely interested in cattle, in farming, in a shoe and glass factory, was a director in the water company and a stockholder and director in the First National Bank. He was twice married. His second wife, who died in January, 1900, was Elnaline Whitaker of Sussex, N. J. He left no children but several nieces.

If troubled with rheumatism, give Chamberlain's Pain Balm a trial. It will not cost you a cent if it does no good. One application will relieve the pain. It also cures sprains and bruises in one-third the time required by any other treatment. Cuts, burns, quinsy, frostbites, pain in the side and chest, glandular and other swellings are quickly cured by applying it. Every bottle warranted. Price 25 and 50 cents. A. W. Balch & Son, Matamoras, all drug and general stores in Pike county.